

REPORT TO FACULTY SENATE

FROM: Graduate Council

DATE: Jan 20, 2023

ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

The Graduate Council met on Jan 20.

We welcomed Graduate College new Dean, Dr. Kirsten Limeland, to join the first GC meeting in 2023!

We considered and approved the following:

1. Audit policy amendment for all undergraduate and graduate programs. Based on an examination of our 17 ABOR peer institution's course auditing policies, the updated policy simplified the language and smooth the procedure for students to convert from credit status to audit status. Approved unanimously by the member.

Discussion items:

1. GTA stipends increased to \$21,750 for 23-24 academic year. Some members (from Science) advocated for the increase and further increase to recruit top students, others (from Arts) alert us that they have to cut the number of GTRA offers and increase class size. GPSC reps call for further increases in GTRA's stipends.

Graduate Council has 34 members from all UArizona colleges including the Deans of the Graduate College. Twenty-four members attended the Jan meeting.

GOALS:

Graduate Council meets again on Feb 17 to consider additional program proposals.